

Block Island Housing Board
Thursday, September 13, 2012
Town Hall, Old Town Road
7:00 p.m.

Present: Cindy Pappas, Debbie Howarth, John Spier, Millie McGinnes, Fraser Lang, and Kay McManus. Also present were Judy Tierney, Block Island Times and clerk, Bonny Ryan to take the minutes.

Not Present: Patty Murphy

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Approval of minutes, open and closed, from August 9, 2012.

Minutes were approved with a minor spelling correction in a motion by Millie McGinnes and seconded by John Spier.

Ayes 6 (Pappas, Howarth, Spier, McGinnes, Lang and McManus)

Nays 0 Absent 1 (Murphy)

Public Input

Discussed were:

- Wildwood properties letter re: E. Searles Ball
- American Express offer of a credit card
- Invitation from RI Housing for Factbook
- Memo about Question 7 on the November ballot

No action was taken on these items.

Financial Statements, Tax Collection Update, Bills

The financial statements were approved in a motion by Debbie Howarth and seconded by Fraser Lang.

Ayes 6 (Pappas, Howarth, Spier, McGinnes, Lang and McManus)

Nays 0 Absent 1 (Murphy)

Clerk reported on collections of \$102,810.36. There were no bills to be paid.

Budget

After discussion, a motion was made by Fraser Lang and seconded by John Spier to amend, adopt and send the budget to Amy Land to plug in the final figures.

Ayes 6 (Pappas, Howarth, Spier, McGinnes, Lang and McManus)

Nays 0 Absent 1 (Murphy)

Jacke Property Outstanding Issues

- John Spier spoke to Ben Martin about the controls.
- John Henry Tripler will finish insulating pipes. Cindy Pappas needs to speak to Mr. Tripler.
- Peter McNerney has promised to move the tanks by this Friday.
- Cindy Pappas has talked to Bain Transue about the road. She has not been able to get in touch with Joe Sprague. She will try again.

Brown-Smith Discussion

There was a discussion about a timeline. Everyone agreed that the survey was needed first. Clerk will get in touch with Mr. Hilbern immediately.

Monitoring agent

Patty Murphy had the application. She and Cindy Pappas will meet to prepare a narrative. Clerk will provide legislation and 501c3 information and a mission statement. A motion was made by Debbie Howarth and seconded by Fraser Lang to seek designation as a monitoring agent for the Block Island Housing Board from Rhode Island Housing.

Ayes 6 (Pappas, Howarth, Spier, McGinnes, Lang and McManus)

Nays 0 Absent 1 (Murphy)

Discussion of possible candidates for Nov. election

Debbie Howarth explained her situation as being the appointed member from a conservation group and the fact she is stepping down from the Conservancy in October. She will let the Housing Board know her decision about running for Fraser Lang's position as a write in candidate in October.

Discussed proposed Section 405

The attached document from Jane Weidman featuring the changes to 405 was discussed. The Planning Meeting is some time in October.

Discuss easements and restrictions on affordable housing projects past and future.

The chart that Ms. McGinnes had made was again discussed. It will be looked at for next month's meeting.

Next month's meeting date change: Wednesday, Oct. 10, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

With no further business to discuss and no business for closed session at 8:05 p.m. a motion was made by Kay McManus and seconded by Fraser Lang to adjourn and voted unanimously.

Minutes accepted:

Bonny Ryan, Assistant Clerk